AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract beginning at page 32, line as follows:

~~A configurable operating system allows for small, inexpensive, and less powerful computers, to run a wide variety of applications. The~~ <u>An</u> operating system <u>that</u> provides for the capability to accept input from a number of devices, and transfer the data to the appropriate application without using an application to perform routing tasks, thus freeing up more processor time and memory space for the applications. <u>The operating system includes data</u> ~~Data~~ format translator ~~application~~ <u>applications that</u> may be called by the operating system in order to convert the data to the proper format. The decision as to which <u>data format translator application</u> should be called may be made by using information on the input device which the data came from, as well additional information, to determine if a conversion application or other application is required.

~~A method for using an operating system may include the steps of: receiving data from an input device; determining the type of input device; choosing one or more applications to send the data through based on the type of the input device; and sending the data to the first of the applications, receiving the data from the first of the applications, and repeating for the next of the applications until reaching the last of the applications.~~